THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) The National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE) has granted recognition to 918 institutions of teacher education.

(b) to (d) State and Zone-wise details of the Institutions which have been granted recognition by NCTE till 28.2.98 are given in NCTE's publication "All India Directory of Recognised Teacher Training Institutions", copies of which are available in the Parliament library. The National Council for Teacher Education (application for recognition, manner for submission, determination of conditions for recognition of institutions and permission to start new course for training) Regulations 1995, which have been published in the Gazette of India dated 24 February, 1996 provide detailed criteria for admission of candidates; provision of land and buildings, equipments, books and furnitures; norms for staff, finance and management; etc. for teacher education institutions at pre-primary, elementary and secondary levels.

(e) Section 17(4) of the NCTE Act, 1993 provides that teacher education qualification obtained after undertaking a course in teacher education in an institution which fails or neglects to obtain recognition from the NCTE shall not be valid for employment under the Central Government, any State Government or University or in any school, college or other educational body aided by the Central Government or any State Government.

Nomination of historians for ICHR

2683. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have nominated certain historian for the ICHR recently;

(b) if so, what is the procedure adopted for selection of the Historian; and

(c) whether Government are aware that a large section of people have a feeling that all those Historians, who have taken pro-temple view, have been rewarded?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Rule 3 of the Rules of ICHR empowers the Government to nominate, inter-alia, 18 historians to the Council. On the expiry of the term of the previous Council, the Indian Council of Historical Research has been reconstituted on June 01, 1998.

(c) Government are aware of opinions expressed by different groups in this respect in some of the newspapers and magazines.

Ratio between promotees and direct recruits in Navodaya Vidyalayas

2684. SHRI RAGHAVJI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the ratio between direct recruits and internal promotees to different categories of posts in Navodaya Vidyalayas and Regional offices and Headquarters of Navodaya Vidyalaya Samiti;

(b) whether PGTs have since been empanelled/promoted to the post of Vice-Principals as yet;

(c) if so, the names thereof; and

(d) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) A statement is attached (*See* below)

(b) to (d) The Hon'ble High Court of Jammu & Kashmir at Jammu in the Civil Writ Petition No. 293/95, has stayed the operation of the seniority list of PGTs issued by the Samiti till the final disposal of the petition. Hence the promotion to the post of Vice-Principal could not be made till date even though the process of selection for promotion to the posts has been completed. The names of promoted PGTs are being compiled and will be placed on the table of the Sabha.